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Mr. T. Edward Braswell
Chief Counsel and Staff Director
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Ed:

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In response to your request to [REDACTED] of 9 August 1971, I enclose herewith for the use of the Chairman in a possible secret session on Laos, blind memoranda on the following subjects:

a. History and Scope of United States Government

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c. Agency Briefings Before Senate on Laos 1961-71.

The record of these Agency briefings is interesting since it reveals that we have discussed our involvements in Laos before Senate committees or subcommittees on 27 occasions since 1961, and that altogether 55 senators have been briefed on this subject.

I am not sure in what format the Chairman would find this material most useful, and assume you will probably want to rework it in accordance with his desires. However, if you prefer we would be glad to do this in accordance with your suggestions.

Sincerely,

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